

481—73.2(10A) Investigative authority.

73.2(1) Pursuant to Iowa Code section 10A.402(5), the unit is responsible for conducting investigations involving the state medical assistance program. These investigations include, but are not limited to, allegations involving:

- a.* Fraud within the administration of the Iowa Medicaid program.
- b.* Fraud in the provision of medical assistance or activities of Medicaid providers.
- c.* Incidents of abuse or neglect.
- d.* Any aspect of the provision of health care services and activities of Medicaid providers upon the approval of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Office of the Inspector General.

73.2(2) Pursuant to Iowa Code section 10A.403, investigators assigned to the unit shall have the powers and authority of peace officers when acting within the scope of their responsibilities to conduct investigations as specified in Iowa Code section 10A.402(5).

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